

Appln. No. 10/045,165
Amd. dated 8/27/2003
Reply to Office Action of 8/12/2003

Remarks

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Official action dated 12 August 2003 which is a Restriction Requirement. The Examiner has restricted the claims to Group I, Claims 1-10, drawn to a laser marking system or, Group II, Claims 11-20, drawn to a method of making gemstone. By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled Claims 11-20 and thus, Group I directed to Claims 1-10 are maintained for further prosecution. Applicant elects Claims 1-10 for further examination.

The Examiner has also identified a subspecies for Group I directed to Claims 2-3 and 7; or Claims 4 and 9; or Claims 5-6 and 10; or Claim 8. Applicant, by this Response elects Claims 1, 4 and 9 drawn to a means for driving the gemstone for further prosecution. However, no apparatus claims have been canceled.

It is now believed that the subject patent application has been placed in condition for examination and such action is respectfully requested.

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